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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

New U.S. Patent Application

Title: A SUPPORT ELEMENT FOR AN INTEGRATED MODULE FOR BLOOD TREATMENT, AN INTEGRATED MODULE FOR BLOOD TREATMENT, AND A MANUFACTURING PROCESS FOR AN INTEGRATED MODULE FOR BLOOD TREATMENT Inventors: 1) Jacques DUCHAMP, 2) Aziz ABERKANE,

3) Gabriel MEYSSONNIER, and 4) Dominique POUCHOULIN

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

- 1. Application 22 pages, including 2 independent claims and 208 claims total.
- 2. Drawings 9 sheets of drawings containing 10 figures.
- 3. Preliminary Amendment.
- 4. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- 5. Certified copy of Italian Patent Application No. MI2003 A 000214, filed on February 7, 2003.
- 6. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$770	\$	\$770.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims			
Total Claims	208	-	20	188	x \$18	\$	3384.00
Independent Claims	2	-	3	0	x \$86	\$	
					+\$290	\$	290.00
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TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE						\$	4444.00

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7. A check for \$4444.00 is enclosed. The fee includes:

\$770.00 for filing fee;

\$3384.00 for extra claims fee; and

\$290.00 for multiple dependent claim fee.

Applicants claim the right to priority based on Italian Patent Application No. MI2003 A 000214, filed on February 7, 2003, and the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/470,451, filed May 15, 2003.

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Please accord this application an application number and filing date.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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